

(Washington, DC) – Congressman Tim Ryan (OH-17) released the following statement today after the Department of Labor released its December 2010 Jobs Report. Last month, the private sector grew for the 12th straight month and the economy added 103,000 jobs. Additionally, the unemployment rate dropped to 9.4 percent – the lowest rate in 19 months.

“Today’s numbers are encouraging,” stated Congressman Ryan. **“Last year, the Democratic Congress worked hard to pass landmark legislation that has stabilized our economy and supported American small businesses. Still, far too many of our citizens remain unable to find work, and we must continue to focus all of our efforts on creating jobs and strengthening the middle class.”**